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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir.

In response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2004, the time to respond to which has been extend two months to December 1, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Please amend the claims as set forth in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.

Please enter and consider the remarks beginning on page 6.